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DETAILED ACTION

This communication is responsive to Amendment, filed 06/10/05.

Claims 15-19, and 26-36 are pending in this application. In the amendment claims 33-36 was added.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negatived by the manner in which the invention was made.

Claim 15-19, 27-32 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Mullaney (U.S. Pat. No. 5,917,484) and Applicant Admitted Prior Art (AAPA).

Per claim 15, Mullaney teaches a device comprising:

a display unit, and means for displaying a first screen on the display unit, the first screen displaying a plurality of selectable language options for selecting a display language (fig. 4; options: 404-414; col. 4, lines 40-45) and means for displaying a second screen with an option on the display unit, wherein the first screen is displayed when the option is designated on the second screen (fig. 5; option: "<Back"), does not teach the option having a same appearance regardless of the display language currently displayed.

However, AAPA teaches an option having a same appearance regardless of the display language currently displayed (Pg. 3, lines 5-11). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to include the option for selecting a language as taught by AAPA in the invention of Mullaney because it provides users an easier to recognize

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language selection option to display the language selection screen by having the option with a same appearance regardless of the display language currently displayed.

Per claim 16, AAPA teaches a device according to claim 15, wherein the option is indicated in a predetermined language regardless of the display language currently selected (pg. 3, lines 5-11).

Per claim 17, AAPA teaches a device according to claim 16, wherein the predetermined language is English (pg. 3, lines 5-11).

Per claim 18, Mullaney teaches a device according to claim 15, wherein the option is indicated by a predetermined symbol regardless of the display language currently selected (fig. 5; symbol "<").

Per claim 19, Mullaney teaches a device according to claim 15, wherein the second screen provides plural options for various device settings (fig. 6; options: 604, 608, and 610).

Per claim 27, Mullaney teaches a display device comprising:

a display unit which displays a first screen with a plurality of selectable language options for selecting a display language (fig. 4; options: 404-414; col. 4, lines 40-45) and a second screen with an option ,wherein the first screen is displayed when the option is designated (fig. 5; option : "<Back"), but does not teach a control unit which controls the option to appear the same regardless of the display language currently displayed.

However, AAPA teaches a control unit which controls an option to appear the same regardless of the display language currently displayed (Pg. 3, lines 5-11). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to include the option for selecting a language as taught by AAPA in the invention of Mullaney because it

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provides users an easier to recognize language selection option to display the language selection screen by having the option with a same appearance regardless of the display language currently displayed.

Claims 28 and 29 are rejected under the same rationale of claims 16 and 18 respectively.

Per claim 30, Mullaney teaches a method of display comprising:

displaying a first screen with an option in a first display language (fig. 5; option: "<Back");

displaying a second screen when the option is designated on the first screen, the second screen displaying a plurality of selectable language options for selecting a display language, and setting the selected language through the second screen as a second display language, the second display language being different from the first display language (fig. 4; col. 4, lines 40-45; col. 7, lines 27-29), but does not teach displaying a third screen with the option in the second display language, said option having a same appearance as in the first screen although the third screen is displayed in the second language

However, APPA teaches displaying a third screen with the option in the second display language, said option having a same appearance as in the first screen although the third screen is displayed in the second language (Pg. 3, lines 5-11). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to include the option for selecting a language as taught by AAPA in the invention of Mullaney because it provides users an easier to recognize language selection option to display the language selection screen by having the option with a same appearance regardless of the display language currently displayed.

Claims 31 and 32 are rejected under the same rationale of claims 16 and 18 respectively.

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Claims 33-36 are rejected under the same rationale of claims 15, 18, 16, and 17 respectively.

Claim 26 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Mullaney (U.S. Pat. No. 5,917,484) and Kusmierczyk (U.S. Pat. No. 5,828,992).

Per claim 26, Mullaney teaches a device comprising: a display unit and a controller which displays a screen on the display unit, the screen displaying a plurality of selectable language options for selecting a display language (fig. 4; options: 404-414; col. 4, lines 40-45), But does not teach a dedicated key switch provided outside of the display unit, wherein the display language selection screen is directly displayed on the display unit when the dedicated key switch is operated, the dedicated key switch being used only for displaying the display language selecting screen on the display unit.

However, Kusmierczyk teaches a dedicated key switch provided outside of the display unit, wherein the display language selection screen is directly displayed on the display unit when the dedicated key switch is operated, the dedicated key switch being used only for displaying the display language selecting screen on the display unit (Figs 2A and 2B; col. 2, lines 58-67; function key F3 on keyboard of Fig. 1). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to include the function key option of Kusmierczyk in the invention of Mullaney because it provides users an easy access to language selection screen by means of utilizing the function keys on a keyboard.

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Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments with respect to the amendment have been considered but are moot

in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Inquiries

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